

PROGRAM OHIO CONFERENCE

To be held June 7 to 10, 1900.

FIRST SESSION. (THURSDAY, P. M.)

- 1 Devotional Exercises.
- 2 Appointment of Committee on Credentials.
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- 4 Three minute talks by delegates.
- 5 Partial report of Committee on Credentials.
- 6 Moderator's Annual Report.

THURSDAY EVENING

- 1 Praise Service.
- 2 Sermon.

FRIDAY EVENING

Missions.—An Address by J. A. Miller.

SATURDAY EVENING

Symposium: The Church and Some present Day Social Problems, led by A. D. Gnagey. Followed by Bowman, Mackey, Kimmel, Welty, Prof. Garber, Miller and others.

Business.

- 1 General Church Work.
- 2 Sunday School and Young People's Work.
- 3 Publishing and Educational Interests.
- 4 Mission and S. S. C. E. Work.
- 5 Reports:—
 - Of Board of Elders.
 - Of Ministerial Examining Board.
 - Of Mission Board.
 - Of Secretary on Statistics.
 - Of State Sunday School Officers.
 - Of State S. S. C. E. Officers.
- 6 Election:—
 - Of Member of Board of Elders.
 - Of Member of Ministerial Examining Board.
 - Of College Trustees.
 - Of State Conference Officers.
 - Of Secretary and Treasurer of Mission Board.
- 7 Reports of Committees:—

On Credentials.
On Resolutions.
On Ministerial Credentials.

8 Miscellaneous.

Papers and Addresses.

1 Our Ministry:—

- a How Increase Its Numbers, J. C. Mackey, H. S. Jacobs.
- b How Increase Its Efficiency, J. L. Kimmel, Josiah Keim.

2 The Pastor and the Publishing House, W. A. Welty, M. S. White.

3 The College:—

- a The Pastor and the College, J. M. Bowman, Wm Kiefer.
- b The Layman and the College, J. D. Findley, Prof. Garber.

4 The Limitations of Christian Liberty, P. J. Brown.

5 The S. S. C. E.:—

- a How the Local Society May Aid the Pastor, Mrs. Sarah Keim.
- b The Model Society, Mrs. Mary Wise.
- c Address by National President, Miss Detwiler.

6 The Sunday School:—

- a Some Needed Reforms in Sunday School Work, A. D. Gnagey, S. B. Grisso.
- b Primary Instruction:
 - Method in, Mrs. J. C. Ewing.
 - Responsibility of, Miss Clara Neibel
- c Question box. (Leader to be selected)

7 Revivals, J. W. Wilt, Isaac Ross.

SUNDAY MORNING

Regular morning services.

SUNDAY P. M.

Young Peoples' rally led by (to be selected) who will prepare local program. Address, J. C. Mackey.

SUNDAY EVENING

Usual services.

Remarks.

- 1 Four business sessions to be held on Friday and Saturday.
- 2 Committee on program to arrange business and daily program.
- 3 All papers on subjects assigned to be written. Papers limited to 15 minutes.
- 4 All papers and addresses open for discussion.
- 5 Sermons and Sunday service to be arranged with pastor where conference is held.

Signed by Committee,

J. ALLEN MILLER,
W. A. WELTY.

Marriage is Too Easy

"The present open door policy for marriage in America cannot exist much longer," writes Edward Bok in the April Ladies' Home Journal. "The question must be met, and it should be met squarely. Any discussion of divorce is untimely: it is futile at the moment. It is grappling with the question at the wrong end. Whether divorce is right or wrong; whether there should be divorce at all, and on what grounds a decree of divorce should be granted—these are not the pressing questions of the hour. The whole matter of divorce does not begin to stand in such urgent need of discussion as does the question of the laws of marriage. When we adjust marriage as we should adjust it, then we can give our attention to divorce. And then we shall find that in adjusting the one we shall have come pretty close to the wisest and best adjustment of the other. The practical solution of both, in short, lies in the proper adjustment and rigid enforcement of laws which shall make marriage more difficult of accomplishment."

How Moody Beat a Rival

"One Saturday afternoon young Moody was dispatched to make a collection from an establishment whose credit was under suspicion. While on the train he discovered that the representative of another firm, to whom the same store was deeply indebted, was hastening to the same place on the same mission," says William R. Moody, writing of his father, Dwight L. Moody, in a series of articles in *The Saturday Evening Post*. "A continuous ride to the town would break into Sunday, and it was one of Mr. Moody's principles not to travel on the Sabbath. It was necessary for him, therefore, to spend Sunday at some point and resume his journey early Monday morning. The other collector did not have such scruples, but planned to proceed, arrive on Sunday morning, and thus secure his claim the first thing on

Monday morning, which would probably have shut out Mr. Moody's firm. However, where principle was involved Mr. Moody never hesitated, and yet his business pride was at stake and it was rather hard for him to see the other man win. Consequently he determined to do what he could, legitimately, to get even chances. It was in the early days of railway travel and changes were frequent; so at one of those changes Mr. Moody and his rival took a walk, and Mr. Moody engrossed him so in conversation that he missed his train, and thus both men got to the town at the same time on Monday."

Byron makes the illustrious Bonnivard dig footholds in the walls of his dungeon, by which he climbs to the lofty window of his cell to get a look at the impressive mountains of his native Switzerland. For weary years he had been confined in the prison of Chillon, below the level of the waters of Lake Geneva. One day a bird sang at the prison window the sweetest song he had ever heard. It resurrected his heart of stone. It created a yearning for a look over the land which was free to the bird. So the prisoner dug footholds in the plaster of the wall and climbed to the window above. He looked out and he saw the mountains unchanged. He saw the snow of a thousand years, and learned patience. That look put new life into him and gave him a vision that lasted him to the end. From that sight he obtained rest, strength, solace. I mean to climb up to God that I may get God's vision of life and be forever consoled by the sight of something

grand and inviting beyond this life, in which I am now as in a prison. I mean to catch a glimpse of the towering peaks of immortality. I am cutting footholds for my faith in the promises of God.—David Gregg.

Let us reckon that to be true beauty which is within, and judge of men, so far as we are capable, by their minds, not their mien.—Henry.

Announcements

The Milford congregation will hold their communion service on Thursday evening, May 10. There will be a preparatory service the same day at 4 P. M. All who can do so are invited to be with us.

G. W. RENCH, Pastor.

Milford, Ind.

The congregation at Reliance, Va., will hold their spring communion Saturday afternoon, May 26, 1900. E. B. SHAVER.

At Mt. Olive, East Rockingham, two miles from Port Republic Station, on N. W. Ry., will hold communion service Wednesday, May 9, 1900. E. B. SHAVER.

The New Enterprise, Pa., Brethren church will hold their spring communion Sunday evening, June 3, 1900. All of like faith are cordially invited.

D. B. SNOWBERGER, Sec.